Allocation of Fund from CRF to Punjab

755. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the share of Punjab in the Central Road Fund during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether the allotment has been commensurate to the requirement proposed by the State Government;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether Government would consider reviewing criteria for allotment to the State from the fund with a view to developing the infrastructural need of the industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (c) Allocation of funds under Central Road Fund is done on lump-sum basis having regard to the consumption of petrol in respective State. Punjab has been given its share of Central Road Fund on this basis only. Allocation of funds during the last three years of Punjab is as under:—

Year	Amount (Rs. in lakh)
1996-97	202.00
1997-98	343.00
1998-99	192.81

(d) Yes, Sir.

Improvement of National Highways in Kerala

756. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Kerala has submitted any representation to improve the National Highways in the State;